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SUBJ: OMVS CHIEFS OF STATE MEETING

DEPARTEMENT ALSO FOR USAID

1. PRESIDENTS OULD DADDAH, TRAORE, AND SENGHOR MET IN DAKAR APRIL 13 FOR CHIEFS OF STATE CONFERENCE OF OMVS ( SENEGAL RIVER REGIONAL ORGANIZATION). ACCORDING TO FINAL COMMUNIQUE, CONFERENCE WAS " PRE-OCCUPIED BY GRAVE PROBLEMS OF DROUGHT WHICH AFFLICTS MEMBER STATES" AND APPROVED " REGIONAL PROGRAM FOR STRUGGLE AGAINST DROUGHT AND ENCROACHING DESERT, BY MOST APPROPRIATE WAYS AND MEANS". FOLLOWING DAY THREE CHIEFS OF STATE LEFT DAKAR FOR MEETING IN ABIDJAN ON CEAO ( WEST AFRICAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY).

2. CHECK AT OMVS HEADQUARTERS FOLLOWING CHIEFS OF STATE MEETING REVEALED NO COORDINATED REGIONAL PROGRAM FOR CONTROL OF DROUGHT AND DESERT ENCROACHMENT. RATHER, APPARENTLY DECISION WAS ACTUALLY MADE TO LEAVE PROBLEMS IN THIS AREA TO 3 INDIVIDUAL STATES, AMONG WHICH ONLY SENEGAL NOW DOES NOT HAVE SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR DEALING WITH DROUGHT AND DESERT CONTROL. PRIME MINISTER DIOUF RECENTLY ASSIGNED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS AREA TO NEWLY CREATED MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
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MENT; IN ADDITION, AND IN PARTIAL CONTRADICTION TO THIS ASSIGNMENT, PRESIDENT SENGHOR HAS GIVEN MINISTRIES OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLAN/ COOPERATION RESPONSIBILITY FOR COORDINATING EXTRAORDINARY EMERGENCY DROUGHT RELIEF.

3. WE BELIEVE THAT ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDENT SENGHOR DAY BEFORE CONVENING OF CHIEFS OF STATE CONFERENCE THAT ROC ( TAIWANESE) AID TECHNICIANS NOW IN SENEGAL WOULD SHORTLY BE REPLACED BY PRC TECHNICIANS IS SIGNIFICANT AND PERHAPS NEAR FINAL STEP TOWARD IMPLEMENTATION OF LARGE SCALE PRC AID PROGRAM ( IE IN DAM CONSTRUCTION ON SENEGAL RIVER) UNDER OMVS AUSPICES.  
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